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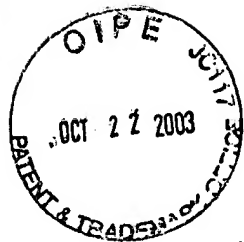
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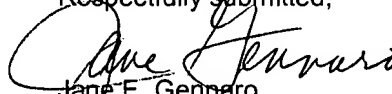
RESPONSE

Sir,

In response to the Office Communication mailed on September 22, 2003, Applicant hereby elects glycol as the single disclosed species of the protective group.

If there are any issues that the Examiner wishes to discuss, he is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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